

ABSTRACT

WA-I-366

19th Century

Part of Reserve # 6

Williamsport Vicinity

private

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Part of Reserve # 6

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old route 63, north of Williamsport, on Kemp's Mill Road

CITY, TOWN

☒ VICINITY OF Williamsport

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES RESTRICTED☐ YES UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Wallace Taylor

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 3, Box 51

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21795

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Washington County Court House

Liber #: 206

Folio #: 169

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☒ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED <50%

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farmhouse and barn are located on the west side of Kemp's Mill Road, old Maryland route 63 south of the Western Maryland Railroad tracks and north of Williamsport in Washington County. The buildings are situated on sloping ground and face east.

The house is a two story, three bay stone structure with a four bay, two and one half story wing extending to the rear. A double porch spans the south elevation of the wing. The walls of the building are constructed of roughly coursed local limestone without particular decorative masonry treatment associated with the doors or windows.

Openings appear to be aligned with each other in the walls except in the south gable end of the main section where windows at the first and second stories are off set slightly to the east. They are cased with narrow frames finished with a bead at the inside edge. Most windows have two over two pane Victorian period sashes. Hinge pins in the frames indicate that shutters were present at one time.

The main entrance is located in the south end bay of the front or east elevation. The door is framed by a broad transom and side lights. A one bay shed roofed entrance porch is supported by chamfered square posts with brackets. Entrances are also located in the south elevation of the wing at the first and second story levels. These doors are topped with diamond pane transoms. The double porch along this elevation is supported by chamfered posts and spanned by a lattice work balustrade at the first story and a scroll cut balustrade at the second story level.

The roof of the entire structure is sheathed with asphalt shingles and extends beyond the end walls. Brick chimneys with corbels at their tops are located inside the end walls. One additional flue extends from the interior of the wing.

Behind the house is a stone outkitchen and ruins of a stone smokehouse. South of the house and outbuildings is a frame bank barn resting on fieldstone foundations.

The buildings appear to be in fair to good condition and are part of a farm containing 128.87 acres which includes some of the land grant "Reserve No. 6" for Conococheague Manor.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

PERIOD	<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS				

SPECIFIC DATES	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This group of buildings which includes a two story, three bay L shaped stone house, two stone outbuildings and a frame bank barn is a typical farmstead which would appear to date from the second quarter of the 19th century. Stone was used prominently as a construction material in Washington County during the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The land grant of which this farm was a part was called Reserve # 6 and was one of several reserves clustered around Lord Baltimore's holding, Conococheague Manor. During much of the first half of the 19th century this land belonged to the Van Lear and Findley families before being sold in 1863 from Sophia Findley to John Ensminger. (IN18/36). It was later owned by the Kemp family who held the property during the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Washington County Land Records.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 128.87 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

October 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

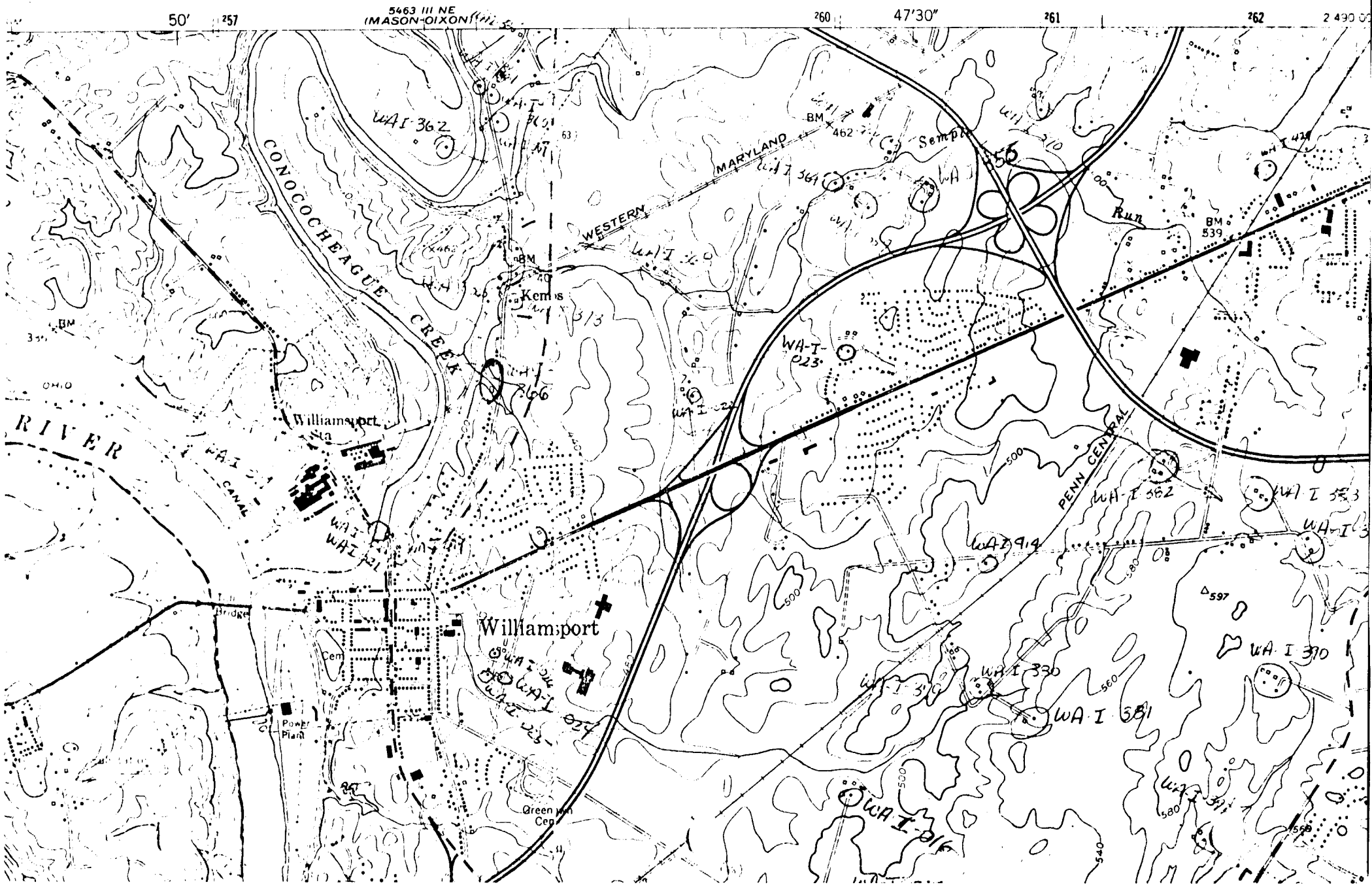
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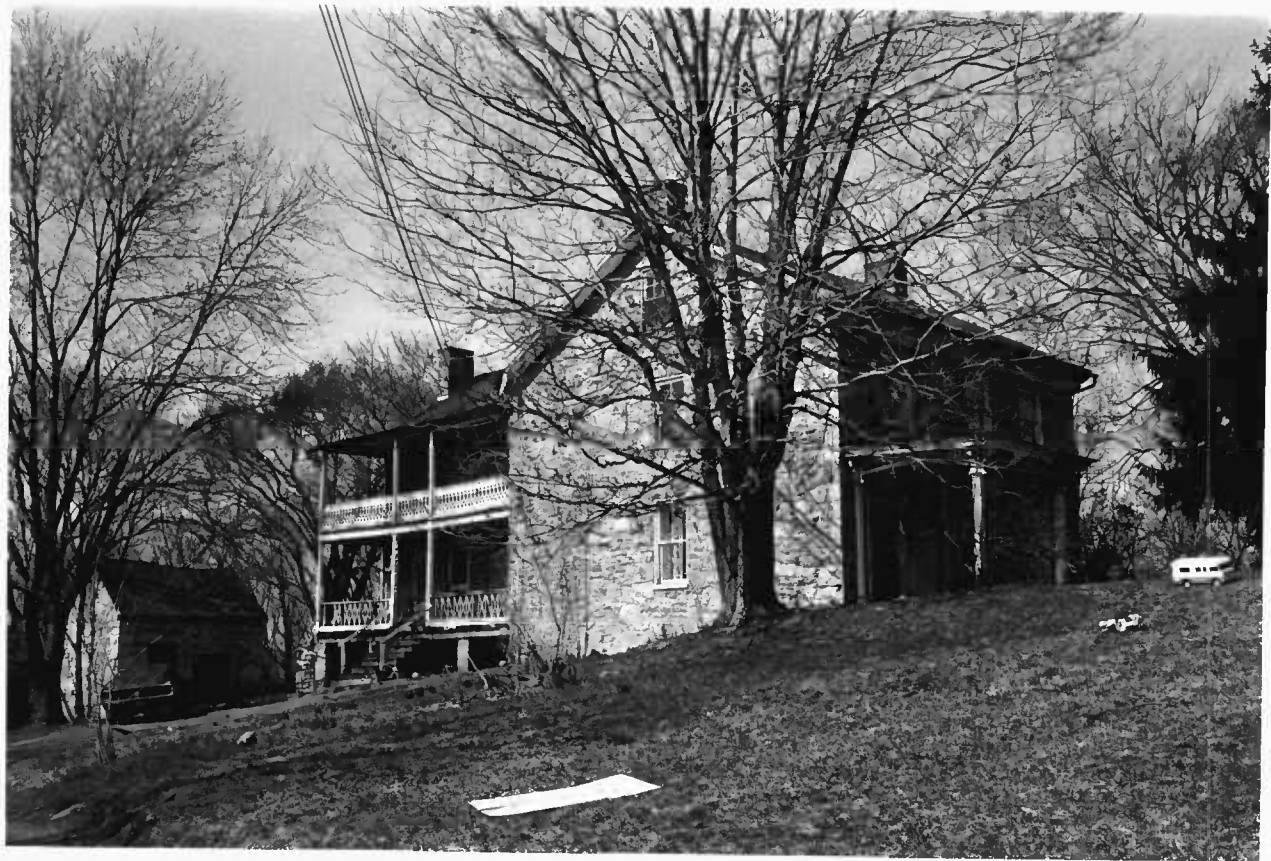
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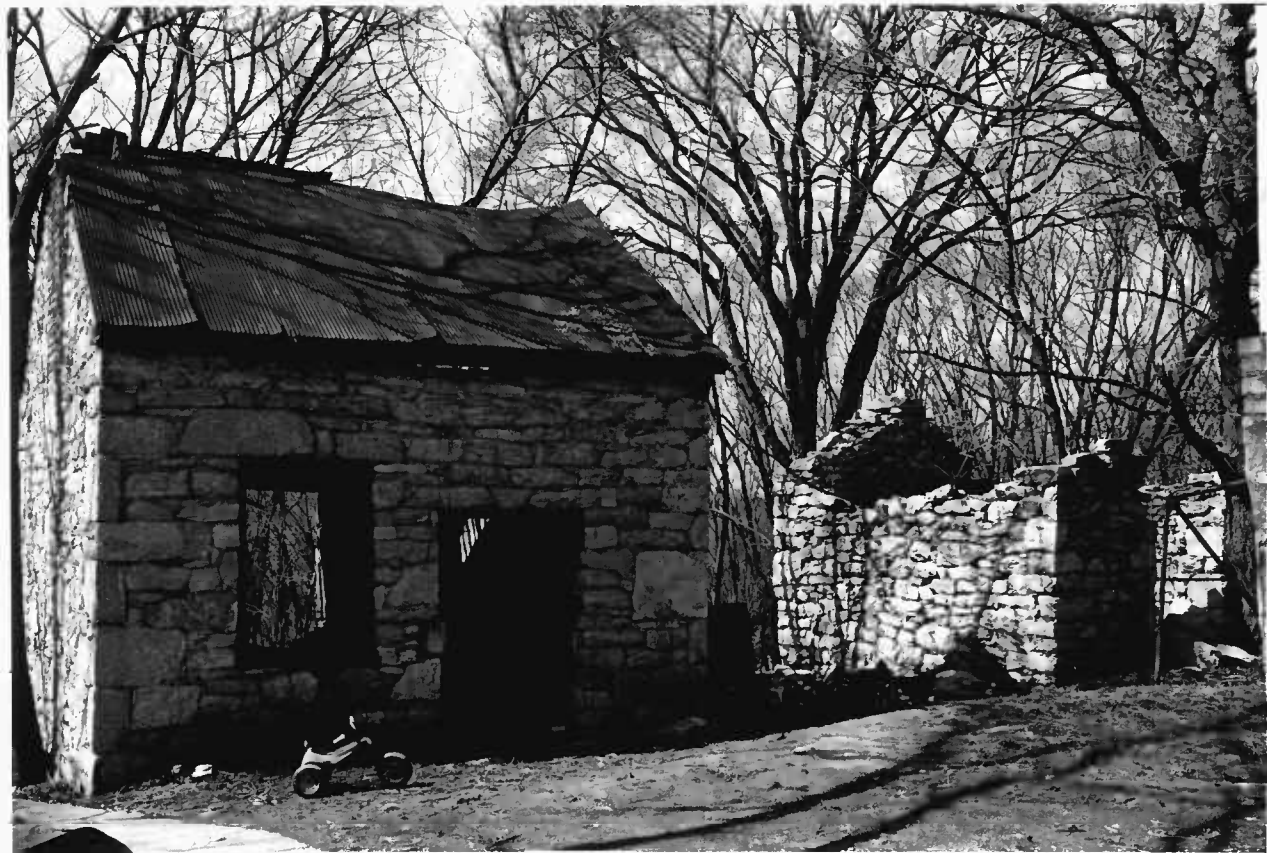
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